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#### MASON'S SPECIFICATION.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I, ROBERT MASON, of Chipping Sodbury, in the County of Gloucester, Surgeon and Apothecary, send greeting.

WHEREAS His most Excellent Majesty King George the Third did, by His  
5 Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Great Britain, bearing date at Westminster, the Fifteenth day of May, in the thirty-second year of His reign, give and grant unto me, the said Robert Mason, His especial licence that I, the said Robert Mason, during the term of years therein mentioned, should and lawfully might use, exercise, and vend, within England, Wales, and the Town  
10 of Berwick-upon-Tweed, the Invention of "A MEDICINE FOR THE EFFECTUAL EXTIRPATION OF WORMS, AND THEIR CAUSE, FROM THE HUMAN BODY, IN PERSONS OF ALL AGES, AS ALSO FOR THE RELIEF AND CURE OF DIVERS OTHER COMPLAINTS AND DISEASES;" in which said Letters Patent there is contained a proviso obliging me, the said Robert Mason, by an instrument in writing under my hand and  
15 seal, to cause a particular description of the nature of my said Invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be inrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery, otherwise His Majesty's said Letters Patent to void, as in and by the same (relation being thereunto had) may more fully and at large appear.

20 NOW KNOW YE, that in compliance with the said proviso, I, the said Robert Mason, do hereby declare that the said Invention is described in manner following, that is to say:—



*Mason's Medicine for Extirpating Worms.*

Take of powder of jallap two pounds, powder of coriander seeds two pounds, powder of scammony (Smyrna) half a pound, powder of box leaves half a pound, dulcified mercury half a pound, ipecacuan powder half a pound, Æthiop's minerals half a pound, powder of ginger six ounces, carraway seeds twelve ounces, lenitive electuary three pounds, fine wheat flour four 5 pounds, treacle a sufficient quantity to make a dowe, roll the dowe, and cut them in pieces of half a dram weight each, then bake the dowe in an oven.

Directions for taking the above:—When a full purge is required, a grown person may take one nut at bedtime, and two the next morning; if that should not operate, a fourth nut may be taken. For a child of two years old, half a 10 nut at night, and the other in the morning. For a child of five or six years old, one nut at night, and another in the morning. From six years to thirteen, one nut at night, and one and a half in the morning. Proper care must be taken, and the operation encouraged with thin water gruel.

In witness whereof, I, the said Robert Mason, have hereunto set my 15 hand and seal, the Fourth day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety-two.

ROBT MASON. (L.S.)

**AND BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on the same Fourth day of June, in the year above mentioned, the aforesaid Robert Mason came before our Lord 20 the King in His Chancery, and acknowledged the Specification aforesaid, and all and every thing therein contained, in form above written. And also the Specification aforesaid was stamped according to the tenor of the Statute in that case made and provided.

Inrolled the Eleventh day of June, in the year above written.

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